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CONTAINING POWDER MATERIAL, COATING  
COMPOSITION, POWDER DISPERSION, AND METHOD  
OF USING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments To The Specification are reflected in the Amendments To

The Specification that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments To The Claims are reflected in the Listing Of Claims that  
begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An Appendix containing the new Abstract follows page 9 of this paper.